

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
August 17, 2010

The City Council of the City of Burlington held a regularly scheduled meeting in the Council Chamber, Municipal Building, 425 South Lexington Avenue, Burlington, N. C., 27216-1358, on August 17, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Ronnie K. Wall presided

Councilmembers Present: Mayor Wall, Councilmembers Huffman,
Butler, Ross and Faucette

Councilmembers absent: None

Harold Owen, City Manager: Present

Robert M. Ward, City Attorney: Present

Jondeen D. Terry, City Clerk: Present

INVOCATION: Councilmember Jim Butler

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Wall called for approval of the minutes of the August 2, 2010, work session and the August 4, 2010, City Council meeting.

Upon motion by Councilmember Faucette, seconded by Councilmember Ross, it was resolved unanimously to approve the minutes of above-referenced meetings.

ADD-ON: CONSENT AGENDA - Budget Amendment 2011-05 - ASA Senior Softball Tournament

Upon motion by Councilmember Butler, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Huffman, it was resolved unanimously to add budget amendment 2011-05 to the agenda.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Huffman, seconded by Councilmember Butler, it was resolved unanimously to adopt the agenda as amended.

CONSENT AGENDA:

ITEM 1:

- A) Budget Amendment 2011-04 - Police - Amend Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Project Ordinance

EDWARD BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANTS
#1 & #2 & #3 & #4 & #5 & #6 & #7
GRANT PROJECT ORDINANCE
BA2011-04

(Originally established with BA2007-07, amended with BA2008-27, BA2009-11, BA2010-02, BA2010-18 & BA2010-33)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA, that pursuant to Section 13.2, Chapter 159, of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following project ordinance is hereby adopted:

- Sec. 1. The project authorized is the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Project Ordinance. Grant #1 is used to assist in the purchase of covert camera systems for County Sheriff and Police Departments, and SRT Tactical Vest and communication equipment for Police Department. Grant #2 is used to assist in the purchase of in-car video equipment for the County Sheriff's Department and for Spanish Language training for the Police Department. Grant #3 is used to enhance 40 of the 800 MHz radios within the department. Grant #4 will be used to purchase three sets of stainless steel furniture (tables and benches) to replace aging furniture that has been in use in the Burlington Police Department prisoner processing area since 1986. Grant #5 will be used to purchase six police cruisers, six sets of light bars, five portable 800 MHz radios, one surveillance alarm, ten digital recorders and DVR software updates for an audio-visual system. This grant will also fund the Junior Police Academy program scheduled for July 2009. Grant #6 will

be used to purchase two new vehicles to replace two aging marked police cruisers. The City is required to act as fiscal agent for Alamance County, City of Graham, and City of Mebane for the receipt of grant funds and disbursement for their share(s) of the total grant. Grant #7 will be used to purchase two portable radios and a video recorder for the headquarters interview room. The grant will also be used for VIPER software upgrades to existing portable radios.

Sec. 2. The officials of the City of Burlington are hereby directed to proceed with this project within the terms stated in the grant contract.

Sec. 3. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to the City to complete the project:

526-33100-0000 State Grant #1-Reimbursement	\$ 37,717
526-33100-0001 State Grant #2-Reimbursement	22,708
526-38390-0000 Transfers from Other Funds	42,957
526-33100-0002 State Grant #3-Reimbursement	56,695
526-33100-0003 State Grant #4-Reimbursement	16,015
526-33100-0004 State Grant #5-Reimbursement	385,791
526-33100-0005 State Grant #6-Reimbursement	87,224
526-33100-0006 State Grant #7-Reimbursement	68,092

Sec. 4. The following amounts are appropriated for the project:

Grant #1:

526-60000-7400 Equipment	\$ 51,393
526-60000-6999 Misc.-County Share of Grant	18,859

Grant #2:

526-50001-1900 Professional Services	21,776
526-60001-6999 Misc.-County Share of Grant	11,354

Grant #3:

526-60002-1400 Travel	954
526-50002-3390 Equipment Not Capitalized	4,922
526-60002-1600 Maint/Repair Equipment	36,078
526-60002-6999 Misc.-County Share of Grant	14,741

Grant #4:

526-50003-3390 Equipment Not Capitalized	8,107
526-60003-6999 Misc.-County Share of Grant	7,908

Grant #5:

526-50004-3300 Departmental Supplies	2,000
526-50004-6003 Jr. Police Academy Prog	36,085
526-60004-7400 Equipment	182,700

526-60004-6997 Misc. -Mebane Share of Grant	26,885
526-60004-6998 Misc. -Graham Share of Grant	53,018
526-60004-6999 Misc. -County Share of Grant	67,307

Grant #6:

526-60005-6997 Misc. -Graham Share of Grant	12,885
526-60005-6999 Misc. -County Share of Grant	16,357
526-60005-7400 Equipment	57,982

Grant#7:

526-60006-6999 Misc. -County Share of Grant	15,874
526-50006-3390 Equipment Not Capitalized	16,218
526-50006-4500 Contracted Services	36,000

Sec. 5. The Finance Director shall report on the financial status of this project as directed by the City Council and shall inform the Council of any unusual occurrences.

Sec. 6. Copies of this project ordinance shall be made available to the Budget Officer and the Finance Director for direction in carrying out this project.

Sec. 7. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

B) Budget Amendment 2011-05 - ASA Senior Softball Tournament

BA2011-05

Increase Revenues:

010-35202-6230 ASA Softball Tournament Receipts	\$29,750
010-39398-0000 Appropriated Fund Balance	29,750

Increase Expenditures:

010-62623-6009 ASA Softball Tournament	\$59,500
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Upon motion by Councilmember Ross, seconded by Councilmember Butler, it was resolved unanimously to approve the foregoing consent agenda.

NEW BUSINESS:

2. 2010 Street Resurfacing Project - Contract Change Order

Mayor Wall announced that the City Council would consider approving a change order to extend the 2010 street resurfacing project contract with APAC-Atlantic, Inc., for a total contract sum of \$2.754 million.

City Engineer Lanny Rhew explained that at the December 15, 2009, City Council meeting, Council approved the 2010 street resurfacing project contract with APAC-Atlantic, Inc. for a total contract sum of \$1.718 million. He stated that the bid came in considerably lower than expected and that it was decided to add additional work such as paving, streetscapes, etc. He said that there would be 4.8 miles of additional paving with this proposed change order. He stated the total additional cost would be approximately \$1.036 million for a total contract sum of \$2.754 million.

Councilmember Ross asked to see a list of streets and parking lots that would be paved.

Mayor Wall asked about decorative crosswalks at the intersection of Church and Davis Streets and Church and Front Streets, and Mr. Rhew said he would talk with the NC Department of Transportation concerning the decorative crosswalks.

Councilmember Faucette asked Mr. Rhew to work with the Burlington Downtown Corporation, and Mr. Rhew responded that they were working together and that the work would be funded with recovery bonds. He also pointed out that the project proposed along Front Street was considered a model for the entire downtown area and the work that was being added was still under design.

Mr. Rhew said that when the additional paving was completed, the overall street condition would have a 90 percent rating which would be excellent.

Upon motion by Mayor Pro Tem Huffman, seconded by Councilmember Butler, it was resolved unanimously to approve the change order.

STAFF REPORT: "Connecting Burlington Communities" (CBC) Report

Mr. David Beal, Assistant Director of Planning Services, reported on CBC activity for the first and second quarters of 2010. Mr. Beal explained that CBC is a City clearing-house program that helps link citizens with problems or complaints with the proper City department. He stated that CBC provides one central number, e-mail, and website, as well as the option to submit tip cards with information.

Mr. Beal reported that during the first quarter, January through March, the City received 102 tips, and the second quarter, April through June, 393 tips, for a total of 495 tips. He said that Code Enforcement led the way with 390 tips. Many were grass calls, but they also pertained to trash, junked cars, and minimum housing issues. He said the Police Department had a total of 50 tips reported, and these dealt with noise, graffiti, loitering, drugs, and prostitution. He stated that other reported tips were in the following departments: Traffic (25), Public Works (13), Animal Services (10), Transportation (5), and Miscellaneous (2).

Mr. Beal stated that of the 495 tips received, 406 had been cleared, meaning they have been investigated and the appropriate action has been taken.

Mayor Wall inquired about the calls that had not been cleared, and Mr. Beal answered that they were referred to other agencies and that some may be a work-in-progress.

Mr. Beal listed the following contact information: People may call the CBC line at 222-5024, e-mail at CBCinfo@ci.burlington.nc.us, or fill out an online tip card at the City's website, www.BurlingtonNC.gov/CBC. Additionally, the yellow tip cards are available at locations throughout the City, such as Recreation facilities and Fire Departments.

Mr. Beal displayed a map showing CBC sites. He explained that the concentration of calls is heavier in the central and eastern portions of the City, but that it actually relates proportionately to the population density in the City.

Mr. Beal thanked Council for its continued support of this program and thanked Katie Franklin and Renee Ward in the Manager's office for contributing to this report.

Councilmember Butler asked when would there be a need for another position, and City Manager Owen replied that Council would be discussing ordinance revisions concerning junk cars, and those revisions may have an effect on the need for additional staff.

Mayor Pro Tem Huffman said CBC was a perfect example of departments working together to accomplish an important goal.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Faucette thanked Nolan Kirkman and the Public Works staff and Mayor Wall for the signage on Sharpe Road. He said there may be a need for traffic calming.

Councilmember Butler recognized the Burlington Downtown Corporation for having been accredited as a National Main Street Program. He pointed out that everyone should be mindful of its programs and the importance of working hand-in-hand with the Downtown Corporation. Councilmember Butler said Council needed to perpetuate the programs on which they are working.

Mayor Wall:

- Demolition ceremony at Terrace Apartments on August 18, 2010, at 10 AM.
- Good neighborhood meeting at Fairchild Community Center on August 12, 2010. It was well-attended and great suggestions were made.
- Neighborhood meeting will be held at Turrentine Middle School on Thursday, August 19, 2010, at 7 PM.
- Dedicated the Joseph P. Barbour, Jr. Pavilion at Willowbrook Park on August 13, 2010. Continue to pray for Mayor Barbour and his family.

Mayor Pro Tem Huffman said it was a well-deserved recognition for Mayor Barbour. He thanked staff for its work in preparing for the event.

ADJOURN:

Upon motion by Councilmember Butler, seconded by Councilmember Faucette, it was resolved unanimously to adjourn.

Jondeen D. Terry
City Clerk